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COMMITTEE ON OVERHEAD RECONNAISSANCE

Minutes of Meeting Held in Room 429
Matomic Building, Central Intelligence Agency
at 2:30 p. m., 10 January 1961

PRESIDING

James Q. Reber
Chairman

MEMBERS PRESENT

Col. J. W. Boucher, OACSI
Cdr. H. D. Myles, ONI

Lt. Col. K. R. Duncan, AFCIN
[redacted] NSA

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CONSULTANTS PRESENT

Lt. Col. J. W. Morris, OACSI
Mr. L. R. Pitt, ONI
Maj. S. J. Moran, AFCIN

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Mr. F. A. Voigt, CIA
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Guidance for Next T-KH Shot

1. This meeting of the principals alone was called to provide requirements' guidance, if any, for the next T-KH shot scheduled for February 10. In the course of the meeting it was learned that it was now scheduled for early March. [redacted] pointed out that Operations cannot so plan and operate a capability to insure coverage of specific coordinates unless north of the 55th parallel in which case multiple coverage rather than control would account for hitting the target. He further indicated the capability to turn on and off the cameras at will provided programming had been accomplished, eliminating but never adding to that which is programmed.

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2. It was agreed that because of the delay and because of the factors indicated by [redacted] the agencies would carefully examine

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past coverage against existing requirements to identify those passes or portions of passes which might be eliminated in programming.

Major Moran indicated that ACIC is preparing a study, due within a week, which would facilitate the examination alluded to above. The Chairman requested that as soon as the ACIC study was available, but not later than ten days hence, [] would be in touch with the representatives to convene a working group for joint examination of their respective findings and to prepare a proposal for consideration of the COMOR on January 31, such proposal to provide a basis for programming which would maximize coverage of target requirements heretofore not covered or inadequately covered. 50X1

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Requirements of Handling of Materials of the TACKLE Program
(Reference: COMOR Minutes-8, paragraph 8)

7. The Chairman reported that he is leaving shortly for the Far East to discuss requirements as they relate to the TACKLE Program. In this regard he made available to the members a draft paper which he was planning to send forward shortly which outlined the requirements aspect, the security handling of the products (including photo and electronic), and indicating the various responsibilities of the agencies in certain regards.

ADDENDUM

T-KH Billet Approval

8. After the meeting Colonel Herrington and the Chairman were called to General Goodpaster's office to be informed that the billets submitted for KH expansion had been approved. The General stated that there was to be absolutely no relaxation in security by virtue of the expansion and that the granting of these billets was not to be used to duplicate efforts in the Community.

9. By agreement between Colonel Herrington of the JCS and the Chairman the former will be responsible for informing all agencies within the DOD which are affected that their billets may now be activated. In those cases, however, where the person slotted for a KH billet has not been approved for TALENT, a regular submission to the TCO/CIA would be required. The Chairman will take care of the expansion approved for the Department of State, the AEC, and CIA.

Absence of the Chairman

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10. During the absence of the Chairman the members are requested to call upon Colonel May, AFCIN, Deputy Chairman of the COMOR, if a special meeting is required. The members are also requested to deal directly with [] at least initially, on all security matters bearing upon the programs within the scope of COMOR cognizance, to call upon [] (Intelligence Officer/DPD) in regard to any questions bearing upon operations, and to call upon [] (Acting Assistant

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to the DDI/CIA in the temporary absence of Mr. Tidwell) on substantive intelligence matters, and to deal directly with [redacted] of PIC on matters bearing upon the reproduction or dissemination of new materials or materials on hand.

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JAMES Q. REBER

Chairman

Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance

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